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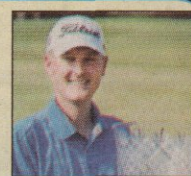


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Ground work completed in preparation for new playground at Elba Elementary School

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The construction of a new playground for Elba Elementary School reached the end of Phase I of construction last weekend, and that makes way for the new equipment to be installed in August.

"Under a reimbursement program, Elba City Schools received a \$4,000 grant from the Wiregrass Resource Conservation and Development Council [RC&DC]," said Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley. "We were able to utilize those funds for the surfacing and leveling of the ground work before our new playground equipment is put on the property."

Moseley said Elba City Schools is very appreciative to the Wiregrass RC&DC council because the funds they are providing allowed the school to get Phase I of the playground project [prepping the surface for it] completed before the new equipment even arrived to

be constructed for use by Elba Elementary School students.

"In our agreement for the \$4,000 reimbursement funds the work had to be done prior to Aug. 1st for us to receive the monies," Moseley said. "We have reached that goal and will now submit our paperwork to the Council for reimbursement of the funds."

The superintendent said he felt like a check presentation for those funds to the school system would be held in the near future.

Moseley said he was very pleased with the work done to prep the playground area for the new playground equipment. He also noted the school system had received a grant from ADEM for rubber mulch to be included on the playground once the equipment is in place.

The bulk of the monies for the playground project are coming from funds raised in memory of TJ Northey, an Elba Elementary School student who

died last summer in a water-park accident while vacationing with his family. Northey's mother and step father, Leigh and Mark Wicker, are both educators at Elba City Schools.

Moseley said TJ's mom had been the leading force in planning and preparing for this new playground, which will have several ties to things that TJ would have loved and enjoyed.

"I think Leigh's overall plan is to add something of need to the playground each year from here on out also," Moseley said. "This will be a phenomenal way to remember TJ while also giving our students at Elba Elementary School a top-notch playground to enjoy their recreation time."

Moseley said he was excited to see this project taking shape, and he looks forward to seeing the finished product in the near future.

The next step in the project will be the addition of the new equipment once it arrives later this month.



Contractors Tim Hudson and Jeremy Sanders are shown above moving dirt Friday, July 26, to level the ground on the Elba Elementary School campus to make way for new playground equipment. The new playground for Elba Elementary students will be top-notch, according to Superintendent Chris Moseley and it will also play tribute to TJ Northey, a young EES student who died too suddenly last summer due to an accident. A reimbursement grant from the Wiregrass Resource Conservation and Development Council is supplying \$4,000 to cover the costs for the ground work on this project.



The result of the work by Hudson and Sanders was evident by Saturday afternoon, July 27th (as shown). Moseley said this completes Phase I of the overall playground project.

Elba Public Library's hours of operation and activities...

The Elba Public Library offers many activities and resources for the citizens of Elba, and library director Jennifer Amlong wants to remind citizens of the hours of operation for the library.

She said the library is open: Monday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Tuesday: 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Wednesday: 8 a.m. - 12 noon; Thursday: 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.; and Friday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

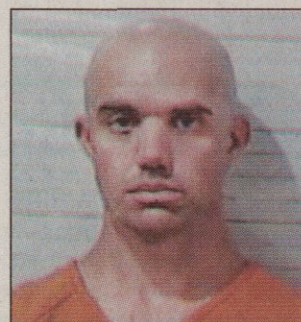
Also, Amlong said the Elba Public Library's "StoryTime with Mrs. Barbara" will be this Thursday, Aug. 1, at 4 p.m., and the StoryTime is held each Thursday at this time unless otherwise noted. She said all children are invited to attend!

Elba man arrested for attempted arson

An investigation Thursday morning, July 25, by Elba Police on an alleged vandalism report led to the arrest of an Elba man.

Shortly after 6 a.m. Thursday morning, Elba Police were dispatched to check into a report of a possible vandalism attempt at Dry Creek Logging, located on Larkin Road in Elba. Officers completed a report noting damage to the property.

Coffee County Jail records indicate that Robert [Ryan] Gibbs, age 32, of Elba was arrested later that morning, and he was charged with attempted



Robert Gibbs

arson - second degree. This was said to be in connection with the earlier vandalism report at Dry Creek Logging. Gibbs remained in the Coffee County Jail as of press time this week, according to the jail's inmate roster.

Elba Fire Department excited about new training facility

by Jack West, Intern

Following years of planning and required approvals, the Elba Fire Department has begun construction on an updated training facility.

The new facility will be located on Larkin Road, across from the airport and next to the Elba National Guard Armory.

Elba Fire Chief Drew Parker said when this facility is completed it will lower homeowner's insurance premiums for Elba residents since the facility will lower the city's ISO rating.

"The lower that rating is, the cheaper your homeowner's insurance premium will be each year," Parker said.

An ISO rating is how insurance companies can quantify the risk posed to any given property. It is measured on a scale from ten to one, with one being the safest. Currently, Elba's ISO rating is a four, but Parker said the city was very close to being a three at the last inspection. Each point lower roughly equals a 20 percent decrease in homeowner's insurance premiums.

"We were within 2.96 points from being an even lower rating which would have lowered us to a three," Parker said. "This training center alone, once we get it completed, will give us four points which would have got us to that point."

Training centers like the one Elba approved are a response to an interesting problem that many small-town fire departments are having. As building codes and materials have improved in recent years, the number of large-scale fires has gone down. Fewer fires means fewer opportunities for firefighters to get experience.

"Over the years, the kind of on-the-job training that firefighters used to get, we aren't getting anymore," Parker said. "Every firefighter is required to have so many hours per year of training, and when you have a facility like this, you have a legitimate way of going out there and being able to



This sign on Larkin Road directs users to the sight of the new training facility being constructed for the Elba Volunteer Fire Department. Completion of this training facility could help lower homeowners' insurance rates in Elba, according to Fire Chief Drew Parker.

we've got to bridge that gap to keep our folks trained so when the real thing does happen, we are prepared," Parker said.

Now that the department has a location and approval for the project, Parker said the biggest obstacles for construction will be funding and time-related.

"We don't have a certain amount of funds that we're looking to pour into it each year," Parker said. "There is no set timeframe. It's as

concern is ensuring that they keep the town "covered" while construction is going on.

"We are trying to figure out how much money we can comfortably put up there and keep up everything else like trucks and equipment here," Parker said.

The department provided a rough schedule which shows the facility being operable in two years and completed in five.

Area Happenings

ELBA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S BACK-TO-SCHOOL ORIENTATION will be Thursday, Aug. 1, at the school. Orientation for 1st and 2nd Grades will be from 5:30-6:30 p.m. while orientation for 3rd - 6th Grades will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The first day of school for Elba students is Wednesday, Aug. 7th.

ELBA HIGH SCHOOL'S BACK-TO-SCHOOL ORIENTATION will be Monday, Aug. 5, in the high school auditorium. Orientation for 7th - 9th Grades will be from 5:30-6:30 p.m. while orientation for 10th - 12th Grades will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

MA-CHIS LOWER CREEK INDIAN TRIBE OF ALABAMA WILL HOLD A PUBLIC MEETING on Thursday, Aug. 22, at 1 p.m., at the Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama Tribal Office, 2950 County Road 377, Elba. The discussion will be about the upcoming plans for the following grants: Low Income Home Energy Assistance and Community Service Block Grant for the fiscal year 2020. The grants are available for review at the Ma-Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama Tribal Office, from August 8-22, from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. after hours and weekend by appointment only. If anyone has any questions or concerns, contact Vice Chief Nancy Carney at (334)897-3207 or email <machis@centurytel.net>



ELBA CITY SCHOOLS HELD A NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION MONDAY MORNING, JULY 29, at the superintendent's office, and Superintendent Chris Moseley said he is excited over the quality of employees the system has added to its faculty for this upcoming school year. Moseley said everyone at Elba City Schools is excited to welcome the students back for the 2019-2020 school year next Wednesday, Aug. 7th. He said he anticipates another great year for Elba City Schools. Those in attendance for Monday's new employee orientation included: (front) Melissa Grantham, Emily Alverson, Superintendent Chris Moseley, Beverly Hamilton, and Nichole Capps; (back) Austin Johnson, Jeff Carpenter, and Caiden Harrell. New Employees not pictured: Tessa Watson, Maria Martinez, Amber Thomas, and Tachae Wright.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Well done is better than well said." - Benjamin Franklin

Most of us have read about or heard reports of well-to-do parents being caught making cash pay-offs to get their child admitted to top-tier universities. Now, we read some parents are actually giving up legal custody of their children to qualify them for certain college scholarships. Apparently a relative, or close family friend becomes the child's legal guardian in the junior or senior year of high school. The child then uses a loophole in scholarship applications to get special credit for having no legal parents. This is not just blue collar or welfare workers doing this, but lawyers, doctors and at least one assistant principal have been identified in this 'beat-the-system' scam. It is too early to say just how many people are using this shameful method of beating the system, but one is too many. Hopefully these adults will get their just punishment, but probably the heaviest punishment will fall on the child who must explain to all their friends and fellow classmates that they lost scholarships (and/or college acceptance) due to cheating.

Something happened several weeks ago that really warmed our heart. For background realize that for the over 55 years we have been in this newspaper office many, many high school students have hit us up for donations, buy an ad in our program, etc., and most of the time they got the money. Well, it was probably last month, maybe in June, but a charming young lady came in with an offer for us to again buy a program ad. . . . which we did. No big deal, it has been done hundreds of times over the years. Then a few days later we get a hand written 'Thank You' from this student! Never, ever has that happened before. Oh, the kids are almost always nice, they smile and say thank you at the point of contact, but this young lady went the extra mile with the hand written note (we saved it). Somebody in the life this very mature 'child' has taught her manners beyond the basics. We are grateful first to this high school student . . . she knows who she is . . . and secondly to her parents, who are molding a future leader and doing it well.

Most of us don't write notes as we should. Another person pops into our mind, one who does write notes, often going above and beyond. That caring is surely part of the reason her professional career has, and continues, to blossom. We once bumped into her at an airport when we were sending one of our children off to Washington D. C. She was taking the same flight to D. C. and the next week we got one of those handwritten notes commenting on how well mannered our child was and predicting great things for this teenager. Over the years she has written us, and untold number of others, notes about things - both small and large - and we continue to be impressed. . . as her star continues to rise.

As most of our readers already know, we are not a Donald Trump fan. For that we don't apologize, nor should those who don't share our views. This is America and we should continue to take pride in our freedoms, including the right to openly support various ideals and political candidates. However, we do get upset when someone very clearly throws out untrue statements - about anyone - including Trump. Most humans have enough faults without someone having to invent out-and-out lies in their criticisms or efforts to unseat a candidate or office holder. Please don't destroy our great life and freedoms with such obvious trash.

In border battle, agents face growing crisis

Guest Editorial by Congressman Bradley Byrne (AL-1)

Lately we've heard a non-stop narrative from the national news media and left-wing Democrats about the horrific conditions at our border. The never-ending insults directed towards our border patrol agents and law enforcement has outraged many of us who appreciate their invaluable service to us. Last week, I traveled to our southern border near El Paso, Texas to talk with them directly and get a firsthand look at the conditions they face.

Early Monday morning I arrived at a border location called Monument III on the Border of Sunland Mark, New Mexico and Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents and military personnel offered me an intensive behind-the-scenes look at their operations.

A shift in migration patterns in the last five years has led to many more border crossings in numbers that overwhelm our personnel and infrastructure. Just a few months ago, CBP agents had 2,000 illegal border crossings in downtown El Paso in a 24-hour period.

Most of these migrants, in a scheme that is rampant across our border, cross

with their wrists out, waiting to be arrested so they can file an asylum claim. After processing, migrants are released. Few show up for court dates, and most asylum claims are rejected or found to be fraudulent.

Without question, most of these migrants experienced a long, arduous journey. Border areas are owned by various cartels, and as one agent explained, "nobody gets here without paying something." Coyotes and cartels collaborate to extort migrants. Horrific physical and sexual abuse is widespread.

The wall sections here have made patrolling the area easier. At Monument III, the physical barriers were constructed in 2007 after the Secure Fence Act of 2006 was passed on a bipartisan basis (back when most Democrats supported a wall).

Fortunately, the Department of Defense is currently providing camera surveillance so more CBP agents are freed to make arrests. But personnel remain stretched thin. Oftentimes a single agent must arrest and detain dozens of migrants alone. I was told of three CBP agents making 400 ap-

prehensions at one time.

My next stop was a tour of Bridge of the Americas (BOTA) Port of Entry (POE) with CBP OFO (Office of Field Opportunities). BOTA is a cargo, pedestrian, and vehicular POE that sees an astounding 24,000 pedestrians and 30,000 vehicles daily.

CBP agents at BOTA told me they find a shocking amount of drugs including fentanyl, oxycodone, heroin, meth, and marijuana. Due to the growing strain on resources, the National Guard has been here on a voluntary basis since October 2018 providing valuable clerical work and technology support.

From here we traveled to the El Paso Paso del Norte (PDN) Point of Entry, a pedestrian POE. Recently most of the migrants here have been Mexican, coming to the United States for work.

But many have dangerous motives. Just days before, agents found 14 pounds of cocaine packed in a vehicle's quarter panels. The increased traffic makes it extremely difficult to adequately screen all the crossers. Sadly, this lack of resources was a constant theme during my visit.

Without exception, the

border agents, law enforcement and military personnel along the border were transparent and professional. The slanderous characterizations of these brave men and women from the Socialist Squad and their media allies is shameful. We can be proud of the work our border agents do, but they made clear the scope of the crisis we face. The numbers of people crossing our border are staggering.

We need additional resources, including technology, barriers and more border agents out on patrol. And we must change our asylum laws to eliminate the loopholes fueling this migration boom.

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Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Monday, July 22, and Sunday, July 28, made the following arrests: one for failure to appear, one for criminal mischief, and three on warrants.

There were 25 traffic citations and 37 traffic warnings [verbal and written] issued by Elba Police officers during the timeframe of July 22 - July 28.

MONDAY, JULY 22 - Officer met with a complainant on Adkinson Ave in reference to harassment (12:25 a.m.); Officer assisted a Coffee County Deputy with a traffic stop on N Claxton Ave (6:14 a.m.); Officer responded to a call referencing a suspicious individual at a business on N Claxton Ave - officer transported the individual to a residence on Taylor Mill Rd (7:28 p.m.); Officer met with a complainant on Caroline St in reference to a possible harassment (9:55 p.m.).

TUESDAY, JULY 23 -

Officer responded to a call referencing property damage on Factory Ave (1:24 p.m.); Officers responded to complaint of unsafe 4-wheeler drivers on Seminole Circle - they were no longer in the area when officers arrived (2:17 p.m.); Officers responded to a report of a possible theft of property on Sunset Blvd (4:17 p.m.); Officers responded to the scene of a two-vehicle accident on Neil Grantham Dr (4:19 p.m.); Officers performed a traffic stop on Hickman Ave which resulted in an arrest for warrant with the City of Elba and a neighboring agency (10:00 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24 - Officers responded to the area of Brunson Circle to investigate a report of suspicious activity (loud music) - had negative contact with activity meeting that complaint (1:29 a.m.); Officers responded to a report of theft of gas from a residence on Sollie Dr (2:15 a.m.); Officers responded to

report of a subject sleeping behind a business in area of Claxton Ave - subject was advised to leave area (6:28 a.m.); Report of a domestic call in area of Tucker Ave - officer went to the same residence twice and male subject left for the night (7:39 p.m.); Report of a domestic issue at a residence in the area of Elba Villas (9:45 p.m.); Report of a possible breaking and entering in the area of Brunson Circle (10:01 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JULY 25

- Officers responded to Dry Creek Logging on Larkin Rd in reference to vandalism - a report was made referencing the damage to the property (6:20 a.m.); Officers were out with units from adjacent agencies in reference to a stolen vehicle - advised the vehicle was recovered (3:29 p.m.); Officers responded to area of Stoudemire St and Harper Dr in reference to a report of a large crowd gathering and possible fight in progress - officers made contact with the parties in area of Roosevelt Dr and advised both parties refused to make a report (6:00 p.m.); Officers and city electric department officials responded to a residence in area of Troy Hwy - advised a report was completed for theft of services (6:15 p.m.); Officers responded to area of Johnson St in reference to a possible domestic disturbance (6:57 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JULY 26 - Officer met with a complainant on E Davis St in reference to a property dispute - property was recovered (1:22 a.m.); Officer met with a complainant in reference to stolen property on First Ave (8:27 a.m.); Officer met with a complainant in reference to a domestic incident on County Rd 263 (6:06 p.m.); Officer advised he was out with someone under the Pea River bridge - subject left the area (10:22 p.m.); Officer advised he was out with a disabled vehicle on Taylor Mill Rd - vehicle had run out of gas and officer assisted the subject (11:09 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JULY 27 - Officers responded to a residence of W Davis St in reference to a noise complaint - residence was advised to turn down the music (12:58 a.m.); Officers responded to a possible break in at a business on Old Samson Rd (6:16 a.m.); Officers responded to an animal complaint on Claxton Ave (3:56 p.m.); Officers responded to assist with a brush fire on Thomas St. - scene was turned over to Elba Fire Department (8:30 p.m.); Officer made contact with a suspicious person on Champ McCollough Dr - person was out searching for a relative (11:56 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JULY 28 - Officer advised he was out with a suspicious vehicle on Claxton Ave - subject had warrants and was arrested (1:21 a.m.); Officers responded to report of an individual laying in ditch on County Rd 249 - Hayne Ambulance was requested (8:26 a.m.); Officers assisted Haynes Ambulance with a medical call on Morrow Ave (11:27 a.m.); Officer met with a complainant at the police department - complainant wanted to file a report for an assault that occurred some time previously (2:13 p.m.); Officers responded to a verbal dispute on Jackson Ave - after arriving on scene it was determined one of the individuals had war-

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GARY POPE MULARZ

Mr. Gary Pope Mularz, age 61, of Mobile, Ala., died Friday, July 12, 2019, surrounded by his family.



Gary was born March 6, 1958 to Frank and Arthur (Tis) Mularz in Elba, Ala., the youngest of four children. He graduated from Auburn University at Montgomery (AUM) with a Bachelor's degree in business marketing. Following graduation, Gary set up full time residence in Mobile, where he raised his three daughters. Gary worked in the oil field for more than 30 years, traveling around the world and making life-long friends along the way.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 27, 2019, at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Greenville, Ala. with burial at Sawyer Cemetery in Sandy Ridge, Ala.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Arthur (Tis) Mularz, and his sister-in-law, Janet Miller Mularz.

Survivors include his wife: Lidia; daughters: Amanda Mularz (Steven), Katie Mularz, and Abigail Mularz; brothers: Frank Anthony Mularz Jr. (Jane), Ricky Mularz (Kathy), Randy Mularz; and many loving nieces, nephews and extended family.

ROGER DALE TICE

Mr. Roger Dale Tice, age 72, a resident of Jack, Ala., died Sunday, July 28, 2019, at his home.



Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 31, 2019, at 2 p.m., at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel in Elba with Rev. Cary Maulden officiating. Burial followed in the Zion Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Visitation was from 1-2 p.m. Wednesday at Hayes Funeral Home. Those wishing to make memorials are asked to do so to the Zion Chapel Baptist Church.

Survivors include his sons: Josh Tice, Elba, Travis Tice, Geneva, Ala., and Roger Tice Jr., Atlanta, Ga.; daughters: Tammy Tice Fulford, Hartford, Ala., and

Amanda Tice Lay, Chancellor, Ala.; stepson: Eric Lee Butts, Greenville, Texas; seven grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; and two brothers: Jerry and Tommy Tice, both of Geneva, Ala.

ODIE LEE COTTON RAINER

Mrs. Odie Lee Cotton Rainer, age 98, a resident of the Floral Health and Rehabilitation center, died Monday, July 29, 2019.



Mrs. Rainer was a member of the American Rosie the Riveter Association due to her service at the Wainright shipyard in Panama City, Florida.

Funeral services will be held at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel on Friday, August 2, 2019, beginning at 12 noon, with Rev. Gary Miller officiating. Burial will follow in Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Hayes Funeral Home. Visitation will be held at Hayes Funeral Home on Friday, from 11 a.m. until 12 noon.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Cammie Nichols Hale and Wiley Griggs Hale; along with two husbands, John C. Cotton Sr., and L.S. Rainer Sr.; as well as a daughter, Mary Grace Cotton; and two sons, William Cotton and Sammie Joe Cotton.

Survivors include her daughter: Mavis Cotton Grimes, Opp, Ala.; sons: John C. Cotton Jr., Beckley, WV, Jerry (Sue) Woodard, Panama City Beach, Fla.; grandson: Chad (Nikki) Blasi, Freeport, Fla.; granddaughter: Camilla Blasi, Denver, Colo.; and four great-grandchildren: Bella, Zoe, Nix, and Hale.

GLEN NEWTON VAUGHAN

Mr. Glen Newton Vaughan, age 85, of Dothan, Ala., formerly of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, July 23, 2019, at Southeast Health in Dothan.



Memorial graveside services will be held Saturday, July 27, 2019, at 10 a.m., from Hillcrest Memorial Gardens with Min. Steve Reneau officiating. Hayes

Funeral Home of Elba is in charge of burial arrangements. The family will receive friends at the Elba United Methodist Church fellowship hall following the services.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to the American Diabetes Association at www.diabetes.org.

Survivors include his daughter: Allyson (Ronnie) Morgan, Wedowee, Ala.; son: John (Grace) Vaughan, Kennesaw, Ga.; grandsons: Drew (Lori) Morgan, and Ross (Annie) Morgan; and three great-granddaughters: Reid, Riley and Jane Morgan; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Mr. Vaughan was preceded in death by his mother and father, Oscar and Myrtle Olive Vaughan; his first wife and the mother of his children, Sally Jones Vaughan; second wife, Hazel Spears Vaughan; two brothers, Oscar Vaughan Jr. and Billy Vaughan; one sister, Miriam Kennedy.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

This is a reply to the editorial that was written last week [July 18th newspaper].

I will never call 911 for anything again. Especially in a domestic violence situation. No woman should ever have to go through what I went through. A man should never put his hands on a woman, no matter what she's done.

The treatment was unprofessional and unsafe. I should never have been arrested to begin with. The officer who sent me in my house to get my husband had a weapon and I did not. He sent me inside when he should have gone himself. He put handcuffs on me when I had done nothing wrong.

I didn't find one thing safe at Coffee County Jail. They talk about safety first but nothing was safe there.

I called other jails and was told a female officer should have done the strip search with a curtain pulled. I was exposed to a male officer continuously walking by.

Just remember if you are

arrested that Coffee County Jail is not responsible for any lost items. They did not tell me this when I was booked in. My wedding band was never returned to me. It was 3K and valued at \$3,000. I was also never given my medication. I have to take 13 pills every day. They had my medication but would not give it to me. The same nurse who bandaged my wounds was later arrested for bringing drugs into the jail.

Because of my experience at Coffee County Jail, I now suffer from nightmares every night. I will never forgive and never forget. Imagine how you would feel if it were your daughter or wife that went through this.

I would recommend that any woman in a domestic violence situation call 211. They will give you all the help and support you need while treating you with respect.

Brenda Nelson

Coffee County Schools announce Title I meetings for each school

Kinston, New Brockton, and Zion Chapel Schools invite all parents to attend their annual school-wide Title I meetings Monday, Aug. 5, 2019.

Parents will gather in a general assembly to participate in a Title I presentation. The Title I program for parents is designed to: 1) inform parents about Title I regulations, 2) involve parents in local Title I decisions, 3) information on raising student achievement and 4) encourage ac-

Coffee County School System announces "Child Find" efforts

The Coffee County School System is in the process of identifying all persons with disabilities, ages 3-21 years, who are not enrolled in an educational setting, and all 0-3 year old children with disabilities. Parents of children with disabilities or those who know of someone who is disabled, are asked contact the principal of the local school or the special education coordinator's office at the Coffee County Board of Education at 334-897-5016. Contacts include: Tami Crosby, Special Services Coordinator, 334-897-5016; Kelly Cobb, Federal Programs Coordinator, 334-897 5016; Danny Branch, Principal, Kinston School, 334-565-3016; Jason Hadden, Principal, New Brockton Elementary, 334-894-6152 ; Alonzo Barkley, Principal, New Brockton High, 334-894-2350; Matt Barton, Principal, Zion Chapel School, 334-897-6275

tive participation in their children's school and education.

School officials encourage all parents to join them for this informative meeting.

Meeting times are: Kinston at 5:15 p.m.; New Brockton Elementary at 6 p.m.; New Brockton High School at 4:45 and 6 p.m.; and Zion Chapel at 6:30 p.m.

For those who have any questions, call the child's school.

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PUBLIC RELEASE
Coffee County Schools today announced its policy for free and reduced-price meals for children served in schools under the National School Lunch Program and/or School Breakfast Program. Local school officials have adopted the following household size and income criteria for determining eligibility:
Children need healthy meals to learn. **Coffee County Schools** offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs **\$1.00**; lunch costs **\$2.25**. **Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals.** Reduced price is **\$3.30** for breakfast and **\$4.40** for lunch. Below are some common questions and answers to help you with the application process.
1. WHO CAN GET FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS?
• All children in households receiving benefits from **Alabama SNAP, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) or Alabama TANF**, are eligible for free meals.
• Foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals.
• Children participating in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals.
• Children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant are eligible for free meals.
• Children who are directly certified are eligible to receive free meals.
• When known to **Coffee County Schools**, households will be notified of their children's eligibility for free meals based on their participation (or a household member's participation) in the: o Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR); or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), if the State program meets Federal standards.
• When known to **Coffee County Schools**, households will be notified of any child's eligibility for free meals based on the individual child's designation as Other Source Categorically Eligible, as defined by law. Children are determined Other Source Categorically Eligible if they are:
Homeless,
Migrant,
Runaway,
A foster child, or
Enrolled in Head Start or an eligible pre-kindergarten program (see: SP 40-2013: Q&As Regarding the Participation of Head Start Programs in Child Nutrition Programs, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/gas-regarding-participation-head-start-programs-child-nutrition-programs-0>).
INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES 2019-2020

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ELIGIBILITY SCALE FOR FREE MEALS/MILK				HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ELIGIBILITY SCALE FOR REDUCED-PRICE MEALS/MILK			
	PER YEAR	PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	PER WEEK		PER YEAR	PER MONTH	EVERY TWO WEEKS	PER WEEK
1	16,237	1,354	625	313	1	23,107	1,926	889	445
2	21,983	1,832	846	423	2	31,284	2,607	1,204	602
3	27,729	2,311	1,067	534	3	39,461	3,289	1,518	759
4	33,475	2,790	1,288	644	4	47,638	3,970	1,833	917
5	39,221	3,269	1,509	755	5	55,815	4,652	2,147	1,074
6	44,967	3,748	1,730	865	6	63,992	5,333	2,462	1,231
7	50,713	4,227	1,951	976	7	72,169	6,015	2,776	1,388
8	56,459	4,705	2,172	1,086	8	80,346	6,696	3,091	1,546

FOR EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER	ADD	+5,746	+479	+221	+111	FOR EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER	ADD	+8,177	+682	+315	+158
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2. HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILDREN QUALIFY AS HOMELESS, MIGRANT, OR RUNAWAY? Do the members of your household lack a permanent address? Are you staying together in a shelter, hotel, or other temporary housing arrangement? Does your family relocate on a seasonal basis? Are any children living with you who have chosen to leave their prior family or household? If you believe children in your household meet these descriptions and haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or email your child's school.
3. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD? No. Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: **your child's school**

LIFESTYLES



Jesse James Smith turned 80 on July 6th. He was born to Minerva and Horace Smith Sr. in 1939 off Hwy 87. His daughters wanted to wish him a special Birthday and express their love. They want everyone else to know that they have been gifted with the most amazing dad in the world. Being the stronghold in their life, he set a firm foundation for them to build their life on. The way he has always encouraged and motivated them, and guided them through the ups and downs of their journey is truly remarkable.

Locals inducted in first class of NSLS for Troy University

Troy University recognizes the inductees of the National Society of Leadership and Success.

This is the charter group of members into the TROY chapter of the NSLS.

The NSLS is the nation's largest leadership honor society. Students are selected by their college for membership based on either academic standing or leadership potential. Candidacy is a nationally recognized achievement of honorable distinction.

Local students inducted included: Kelli Mack, Tifani McCulloch, Mary Elizabeth Brunson, Chase Moseley, and Clark Logan, all of Elba; and Anna Kelley of New Brockton.



ELBA HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1951 HAD ITS 68TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION on Saturday, July 27, 2019, at the home of Betty Rushing Rogers. Those attending were (left to right): Sara Dye Rhodes, Janice Smith (wife of deceased class member Walter Smith), Syble King Hahn, Betty Rushing Rogers, Rebecca Kelley Davis, Erlene Ammons Green, Douglas Green, and Roxie Walker Smart.

Damascus School reunion planned for Saturday, Aug. 10th

Former students of the long-closed Damascus school will be holding a reunion of August 10th. The event will be in the Damascus Senior Citizens Center, located on the former school site. All former students of the school are encouraged to attend.

Lunch will begin at 12 noon. The chicken and tea will be provided, and attendees are encouraged to bring a covered dish.

Call Mary Grider at 334 897-6406 with any questions.

Coffee County Schools set to host Kindergarten Jumpstart on Aug. 5th

Kindergarten Jumpstart for the Coffee County School System [Kinston, New Brockton and Zion Chapel] will be Monday, Aug. 5, from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m. at the schools.

Jumpstart is a one day program that allows incoming kindergarten students an orientation opportunity before the beginning of school. The day is three hours in length during which time the students are exposed to a mini kindergarten schedule, allowed to tour the building, and introduced to their teacher as well as several other staff members.

All students and parents are to report to the school library with their beginning school supplies. The students will then go with their teacher to the classroom.

The parents will remain in the library for an orientation meeting with the principal. When this meeting is completed the parents will go to their child's room for a meeting with the teacher.

During the parent/teacher meeting the teacher will explain her discipline plan, class schedule, rules, drop off/pick up procedure for students, answer questions, and collect lunch/snack money for the first week of school.

Parents will need to provide transportation for their child.

Three new students complete IMPACT at Troy University

Troy University recognizes new students who have completed IMPACT orientation and enrolled in classes for the Fall 2019 semester.

Area students who attended IMPACT include: Dawson Douglas of New Brockton, Ala.; and Noah Carnley and Bhret Flowers of Elba, Ala.



LOCAL SENIORS ENJOY TRIP TO FLORIDA TOGETHER...On Friday, July 26, members of the New Hope Senior Citizens Center were joined by seniors from the Elba Senior Center and Mt. Pleasant Senior Center in taking a trip to Panama City Beach, Florida which was highlighted by a visit to Captain Anderson's. The trip was sponsored by the New Hope Senior Center and the Coffee County Commission, and the group traveled in comfort on a chartered bus to the Florida Panhandle. Early in the day, the group enjoyed hunting for shells at Shell Island and watching dolphins in the gulf waters. Conzuella Banks, New Hope Senior Center director, extended special thanks to the following for helping to make the trip a success for all the seniors: Coffee County Commissioners, Patti Culver, Jackie Luckett, Donna Falls, Amber Paul, Penny Price, James Moultry, Lakeisha Frazier, Mienundra Banks, and Chelsea Ray and the entire Captain Anderson's staff.

Coffee County native Jimmy Baker encourages Troy University graduates, July 26, to make a difference in the lives of others

Jimmy Baker, Chancellor of Alabama's Two-Year College System, told Troy University graduates on Friday, July 26, that the world needed their leadership and encouraged them to go forth and make a difference.

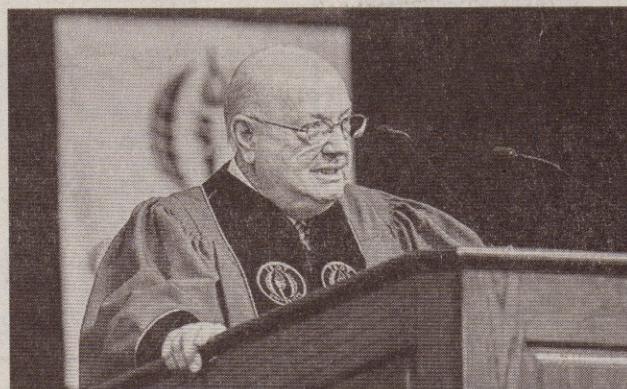
More than 500 students received their degrees Friday morning during the summer commencement ceremony inside Trojan Arena on the Troy Campus. The University also honored Baker with an honorary Doctor of Laws degree during the ceremony.

Baker said the opportunity to meet many of graduates prior to the ceremony had given him confidence in the country's future.

"The United States of America has gone through trials and tribulations, and we still have our problems that we have to be sensitive to and resolve," Baker said. "But with people like yourself, who are dedicated to and capable of making a difference, I'm confident that our country is in good hands and has a bright future."

Baker encouraged graduates to be aware of the past so that they will be prepared to make a difference in the future.

"History has a lot to do with the future," he said. "I learned long ago that I can only help plan tomorrow if



I know what happened yesterday. I want you to always be aware of how you can do good things, and I encourage you to do everything you can do to bring about improvement wherever you are."

A TROY alumnus, Baker said he was delighted with the opportunity to provide the commencement address.

"This is a different place than when I was here many years ago, but it still has that same spirit and that commitment to preparing students to be leaders," Baker said. "There is a big world out there that needs a lot of help, and I welcome you into that fold. The world needs you, and I encourage you to do all in your power to make a difference for your family, your community, and the larger community."

A native of Coffee County, Baker was appointed to lead the Alabama Community College System in 2017, after having served as acting chancellor since August 2016. A graduate of New Brockton High School, he completed undergraduate studies in business administration at TROY and earned a graduate degree in economics and education administration, and an educational specialist degree from Auburn University, where he was also certified in school administration. Baker was named Troy University Alumnus of the Year in 2018. His wife, Joy, is a retired teacher and the couple has two daughters and four grandchildren.

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CHURCH NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

KEN WILSON, PASTOR
WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

A Free Coke

My oldest son always had a competitive streak in him. If I were to be completely honest I would have to admit that he got it from me. When it came time to play little league baseball he took it very seriously and worried about things like wins and losses, what position he played, and how many hits he got. He played for several years and I helped coach his teams and really enjoyed it.

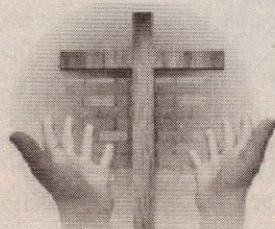
I was expecting much of the same as my second son got to the age when he got to the age that he could play. However, his personality was a little different than his brother's. He was more happy go lucky and just happy to be part of a team. It didn't bother him in the least if it was his inning to sit in the dugout while his teammates were out in the field and he was just as happy when he struck out, as he was when he got a hit.

Don't get me wrong, he wasn't a bad baseball player he just wasn't as intense as his older brother.

On the night of his first game of controlled chaos that is called tee-ball he taught me a lesson that I will never forget. He had played well and hit the ball good, however his team had lost by a score of something like 49-48 (remember this is tee-ball and everybody bats and there are very few outs ever recorded). As he climbed up into my truck after the game I patted him on his leg and said "son even though y'all lost, you did great and I'm proud of you." He looked up at me with a grin on his face and I expected to hear something like "thank dad you're the best", but that's not what he said. He held up the cup of soda in his hand and said "dad it doesn't matter if we win or lose we still get a free coke at the end." It was at that moment I realized that he got what I had been missing. Wins and losses are temporary but the coke will always be there waiting.

Most of us go through life worrying about what we accomplish or what we acquire, but those things are temporary and will be forgotten after we are gone. What really matters is what is waiting for us after the game.

What is your priority what you do while you are here on this earth or what you have laid up in eternity? "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (Matthew 6:19-21)"

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Gospel concert set for Saturday,
Aug. 3rd, at Country Cathedral

There will be a Country Cathedral Concert on Saturday, August 3, 2019, featuring the Longworth Family, Burning Bush Family (shown above), and Dyess Family. The Cathedral is located at U.S. Hwy 84 E. Opp, Ala.. The concert will begin at 6 p.m. There is no admission charge.

Homecoming set for Sunday, Aug. 4, at
Pleasant Shade MB Church in Enterprise

Pleasant Shade Missionary Baptist Church, located at 1891 Damascus Road, Enterprise, Ala., will hold its Homecoming service Sunday, Aug. 4, with the Rev. Jerry Lucas, Associate Minister at Beth El Church, Enterprise, delivering the message at 2:30 p.m.

Pleasant Shade will hold Revival services August 5-7 at 7 p.m. each night. The Rev. E. Tramaine Solomon, senior pastor of the Springhill Baptist Church, Oxford, Ala., will be the Evangelist for the three services.

There will be special music each night.

Homecoming planned for Sunday,
Aug. 11, at Basin Baptist Church

Homecoming services for Basin Baptist Church, 9757 Hwy 189 S, Elba, will be Sunday, Aug. 11, beginning at 9:45 a.m.

The services will begin with a music hour at 9:45 a.m. featuring the Basin 4 Him Quartet, as well as, the Children's and Adult choirs.

Dr. Sam Self, pastor, will deliver the Homecoming message during the 11 a.m. worship service.

A covered dish lunch will be served in the church fellowship hall immediately following the morning service.

All are invited to attend.

Goodman Assembly of God announces
Homecoming and Revival services

Goodman Assembly of God will hold Homecoming services Sunday, Aug. 4, at 10:30 a.m. with recording artist and evangelist Carl Harris.

Harris will be singing and speaking. Lunch will be served following the morning service.

Revival services will be Monday, Aug. 5, through Wednesday, Aug. 7, at 6:30 p.m. each night with Bro. Carl and Terri from Knoxville, Tenn.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Homecoming planned for Aug. 11th
at Woodland Grove Baptist Church

Woodland Grove Baptist Church will celebrate Homecoming on Sunday, Aug. 11th.

Brad Garrett will bring the music, beginning at

10:30 a.m., and Reverend Donnie Morrow will deliver the message at 11 a.m.

Lunch will follow at noon in the Family Life Center. All are invited to attend.

Church News is due on Mondays!

Round and About
With Eria's Daughter
897-3611

Scripture: A song of Praise to the Lord for His salvation and judgment. [Psalm 98: 1-9]

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Doris Hooks Fleming, Mary Sue Dawson, Betty Moore, Patrice Duncan, Beatrice Belcher, Doris Waters, Donella Stickney, Single Parents, Clarice Fitch

July Birthdays / Anniversaries

Shannon Grizzell 7/23
Gavin Respress 7/23
Mike Rowe 7/24
Kobie Gray 7/24
Inez B. Long 7/25
Monique Hutchinson 7/25
Maggie Dean Marshall 7/26
Gladys Lane Mincey 7/26 (in memory)
Kathleen Johnson Harris 7/26
Yolanda Reynolds 7/26
Bryce Phillips 7/26
Maggie Hartford 7/26

** Homecoming and Revival Services at Mt. Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, Babbie Road, Rose Hill Community, Andalusia, Ala., will be Sunday, Aug. 4, through Wednesday, Aug. 7th. The Homecoming service will be at 2:30 p.m. Sunday with guest pastor Rev. J.O. Meeks, pastor of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church and Greater Nazarene Missionary Baptist Church. The Revival services will be at

7:30 p.m. Monday – Wednesday nights with Rev. Whalen Oliver as the Evangelist for the Week. He is pastor of Lily Missionary Baptist Church, Frisco City, Ala and Antioch #1 Missionary Baptist Church, Turner Springs, Ala.

Question / Answer Section Q/A for the Week of 8/1/19

Q: The Principal thing in life is to get honor and respect.

A: The answer is false. [Read Proverbs 4: 7]

Thought to Remember

The Lord's mercies are new every morning

Question for the Week of 8/8/2019

Q: In the Old Testament Book of Psalm, when the Psalmist fees "cast down" and "disquieted" what phrase does he use to encourage himself?

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

Homecoming set for Sunday at Shiloh Baptist Church

Shiloh Baptist Church will celebrate Homecoming this Sunday, Aug. 4th.

Speaker at 11 a.m. will be Flint Harrelson and special singing by Flint and Christian Harrelson. Lunch will be served at 12 noon.

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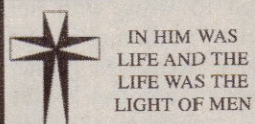
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LIFE AND THE
LIFE WAS THE
LIGHT OF MEN

**ABOUNDING GRACE
COMMUNITY CHURCH**
Rockey Pearce, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

**ABUNDANT LIFE
CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.**
Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

**ALBERTON BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BETHELAME CHURCH
Rev. Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

**BETHLEHEM BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class . . . 6:30 p.m.

**BETHANY BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . . . 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:30 p.m.

**BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Tom Senn, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

**CHESTNUT GROVE METH-
ODIST**
Rev. Remonia Smith
Church Service . . . 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

**CORNERSTONE BIBLE
CHURCH**
Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

**COVENANT COMMUNITY
CHURCH**
Diana White, Pastor
Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship . . . 9:45 a.m.
Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities) . . . 6:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPT. CHURCH
Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Dale Morgan, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

EAON BAPTIST CHURCH
Mark Ward, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Phillip Box, Minister
Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
David Noble, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
OF PROPHECY**
H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

**ELBA DELIVERANCE
TABERNACLE**
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
Tom Anderson, Interim Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
Steve Reneau, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPT. CHURCH
Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

**ELBA UNITED METHOD-
IST CHURCH**
Steve Reneau, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

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Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

**EVANGELIST TEMPLE
CHURCH OF GOD IN
CHRIST**
Timothy Williams, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPT CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.

**FAITH CHAPEL
COMMUNITY CHURCH**
Phillip Adcock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . . 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD -
KINSTON**
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 7:00 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Scott Donaldson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS
CHURCH**
Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

**GODS POWER HOUSE
EVANGELISTIC CHURCH.**
Overseers - Bro Billy Berry
Sat. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m.

**GREATER NEW ZION
BAPTIST CHURCH**
Willie L. Peterson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

**MT. GILEAD BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPT. CHURCH
Olan Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**MT. ZION BAPTIST
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Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

**MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY
OF GOD**
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Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

HERRON BAPT. CHURCH
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Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting . . . 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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**LIBERTY CHURCH OF
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LOVE'S WAY CHURCH
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Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
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J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

**NEW BROCKTON METH-
ODIST**
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:30 p.m.

**NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Terry Godwin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study . . . 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:00 p.m.

**NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Randall Pearson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:00 p.m.

**NEW GLORIOUS CHURCH
OF GOD IN CHRIST**
James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
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Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Bib Stud Wed . . . 6:00 p.m.

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Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

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SEMBLY OF GOD - SAM-
SON**
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Wed. Worship . . . 7:00 p.m.

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WORSHIP CENTER**
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Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
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Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

**ROCKY HEAD M.B.
CHURCH**
A. R. Williams, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

**ROETON BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.

**SHADY GROVE A.M.E.
CHURCH**
James Boots, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

**SHILOH BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

**TAYLOR HILL
COMMUNITY BAPTIST
CHURCH**
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

**THE CHURCH OF JESUS
CHRIST**
Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill
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Max Reed, Minister
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Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.

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C.P. Davis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

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CHURCH**
Donald Mills, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELAINE B. AVANT Deceased.

IN THE PROBATE OFFICE OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA (ELBA DIVISION) CASE NO.: PC2019-051

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters of Administration on the estate of Elaine B. Avant, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 11th day of July 2019, by the Honorable Steven E. Blair, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law of they will be barred.

/s/ Larry D. Jones
LARRY D. JONES
Administrator of said Estate
7/18,25&8/1-pd.

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JACK WADE WILSON, DECEASED

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NO.: PC-2019-049

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of JACK WADE WILSON, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 11th day of July, 2019, by the Honorable Steven E. Blair, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate that they are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or they will be barred.

/s/ Crystal L. Dugan
CRYSTAL L. DUGAN
Personal Representative of said Estate
7/18,25&8/1-pd.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

JEFFERY LEON WHITE Plaintiff,
vs.
LAKIN AMANDA WRIGHT Defendant.

Domestic Relations Division

Civil Action# DR-2011-000064.03

Judge SRC

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

Lakin Amanda Wright, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Jeffery Leon White's Petition by September 7, 2019, or thereafter a judgment by default may be rendered against her in Case No. DR-2011-000064.03, in the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Elba Division, Alabama.

Dated this the 10 day of July, 2019.
/s/ Amy L. Reeves
Amy Reeves, Circuit Clerk
Coffee County, Alabama

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7/18,25, 8/1&8/8-chg.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: SARA JO GREER, DECEASED.

CASE NO: PC-2019-060

NOTICE OF DAY SET FOR HEARING PROBATE OF WILL

TO:
Jay Foreman
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Lakeland, TN 38002

Leigh Trustie
10291 Herons Pointe
Lakeland, TN 38002

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on the 17th day of July, 2019, a certain paper in writing, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of **Sara Jo Greer**, deceased, was filed in my office for probate by **Jimmy E. Campbell** and that the 27th day of August 2019, at 9:00 A.M., at the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division, has been set as the date and time to hear said Petition, at which time you may appear and contest the same if you see proper. **DONE** this 18th day of July, 2019.

/s/ **STEVEN E. BLAIR**
Judge of Probate
7/25, 8/1&8/8-pd.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

This letter gives notice of the sale of the vehicles listed below for the purpose of redeeming wrecker service, repair order and storage charges of said vehicles. The following vehicles will be available for sale at Cook Chevrolet Inc. 610 N Troy Rd Elba, AL 36323 **09-02-2019** at 8:00 a.m.:

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Troy alumna takes helm of insurance program in Sorrell College of Business

A graduate of Troy University's Risk Management and Insurance Program has taken the reins of the program as its director.

Dr. Courtney Bass Baggett, a 2012 RMI graduate, was appointed to the role by Sorrell College of Business Dean Dr. Judson Edwards, following the retirement of past director Dr. Ed Duett in May.

"I have the highest confidence in Dr. Courtney Baggett to lead and advance the tradition of excellence in Risk Management Insurance (RMI). We have been so fortunate to have student-centered, industry engaged leadership with Dr. Ed Duett and Dr. Carol Jordan," Edwards said. "As a graduate of the RMI program in the Sorrell College, Dr. Baggett understands better than anyone what is needed to advance the quality reputation of our RMI program. She possesses all the skills and experience to take RMI to new levels of success."

Baggett joined the faculty of the Department of Risk Management and Data Analytics in 2017 as an assistant professor, having been an assistant professor at Butler University in Indianapolis, Ind. Prior to that, she had been a doctoral fellow at Florida State University's Catastrophic Storm Risk Management Center. She earned the Ph.D. at Florida State in 2017 and holds the CPCU, ASLI and ARM professional designations.

Prior to entering academia, Dr. Baggett worked as a licensed agent in Alabama, gaining experience within the insurance sector at All Risks Ltd., Peachtree

Special Risk Brokers and Axis Capital.

"As a graduate of this program myself, I'm very excited to work with our students, alumni and industry friends to further strengthen our ties to the risk management and insurance community," she said. "I have the opportunity to work closely with our students for the past couple of years and I'm confident they are truly unique both in their disposition and work ethic. I feel very fortunate to be able to interact with them in a more exclusive capacity."

As director, Baggett said she would focus on student preparation for the workplace and expanding relationships with industry.

Baggett has served as an invited speaker on topics related to risk management and insurance, and she is especially interested in natural disasters, crisis and enterprise risk communication strategies, and insurance regulation, specifically that which impacts the excess and surplus lines market.

Within the Sorrell College of Business, Dr. Baggett is a member of the Strategic Planning Committee, the Scholarship Committee, as well as the Faculty Qualifications Committee. In 2017, she was selected as one of five individuals to serve as a Chancellor's Fellow, a year-long program at TROY focusing on executive leadership and communications training. She was also recently elected to Troy University's Faculty Senate. Outside of TROY, she serves on the board of directors for the Southern Risk and Insurance Association (SRIA).

She and husband, Bo, reside in Andalusia.

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SPORTS NEWS

Views From
The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

With school only a week away, my grandson Lawson declared over the weekend that he still needed some new clothes before he could start the third grade. I thought his Mom had taken care of his clothes shopping a few weeks back, but since he insists he is in need I guess it will be off to the stores this weekend so that he can look forward to his first day back.

For what it is worth....

*** *The Elba Tigers season preview* is featured in this week's 'Sports' and it is a unique season for the Tigers as they host six home games and for the first time in years have two games on the schedule in the month of August. Elba was left with only nine games on the schedule after not renewing its contract with Tate High, of Florida, and preferred not to play in the final week of the regular season to allow for rest before making a playoff run. Since Daleville was also struck with only nine games and was open in the early-August slot, the two teams got together, and so, Elba will play two games in the month of August. The six home games are good for everyone involved and should help bring in a little extra revenue while cutting back on a fifth road trip. With Daleville and Opp coming up in the opening two weeks the Tigers will have to be ready to roar right out of the gate if they hope to improve on last season's win total.

*** *If you don't believe* the Alabama High School Athletic Association is a money making organization you are badly mistaken! The AHSAA announced last week that it would waive its membership dues for the 28th straight year, at a total savings of \$84,000 to its member schools, and would also return \$2 million to the schools in revenue sharing. While the AHSAA does take its share of criticism for many things, its member schools are proud to be in the organization, and its revenue sharing plan and history of giving back to the schools makes it one of the best in the entire nation.

*** *While on the subject of the AHSAA*, it also made the state's private schools happy last week when its Central Board tweaked its controversial 'competitive balance rule.' The rule, which led to a lawsuit from St. Paul's, was adopted in 2017 and set up a points scale of a school's success in sports over a three-year period. In the past, private schools earned 4 points for each championship appearance it made over a three-year period, 2 points for a semifinal appearance and 1 point for a quarterfinal appearance. If more than 4 points were earned, the school would be moved up one classification for the next four years. Under the new rule, the points will add up for only two years, and if a school is bumped up a class, it can come down in only two years. The change will also result in a change in reclassification, since the AHSAA will have to wait until the individual sports seasons are concluded to determine points earned. The AHSAA will still announce the classifications of its member schools in early-January every two years based upon student enrollment figures, but will not be able to finalize region make-up until the individual sports conclude their seasons. I'm sure the public schools aren't too excited about the change, but will follow the rules and continue to push to move the private schools into their own classification.

*** *If you wonder why* so many top notch high school athletes head to the University of Alabama to play football, here are a couple of million! The NFL announced contract figures last week for many rookies in the league and after taking a look at the list found out that ten Crimson Tide draft picks from last season combined to sign contracts in excess of \$85 million. Quinnen Williams has a four-year guaranteed contract that totals \$32,529,371, including a \$21,677,724 signing bonus, while Jonah Williams' contract totals over \$17 million; Josh Jacobs' contract totals almost \$12 million; Irv Smith's contract totals almost \$6 million; Damien Harris' contract totals almost \$4 million; Christian Miller's contract totals over \$3 million; Deionte Thompson's contract totals almost \$3 million; Ross Pierschbacher's contract totals almost \$3 million; Mack Wilson's contract totals just under \$3 million; and Isaiah Buggs' contract totals over \$2.6 million. All contracts are for four years, with the biggest three being guaranteed. Pro football is not a sport, it is a business!

*** *In closing....* my baby brother Gary was laid to rest last weekend at a rural cemetery in the Sandy Ridge community, in Lowndes County, and like my wife Kathy said, "It is a shame that most family reunions these days occur at funerals." It was good to visit with our extended family and come together to pay our final respects to Gary, but it also hit home with me that as I grow older my own mortality is something that draws more and more attention. It was a lovely service and a true tribute to Gary's 61-year visit here on Earth.

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*Includes six home games***Elba Tigers 2019 football schedule kicks off early with two games set for August**

The Elba Tigers will be looking to improve on last season's 8-3 record and add another region title to their list of accomplishments when they kick off their 98th season on the gridiron against a schedule that includes six home games and two games played in the month of August.

The Tigers have an overall record of 571-359-27 since the inception of football 97 years ago, with a home record of 297-147-11 and a road record of 237-182-7. During the 97 years playing football, they have posted 63 winning seasons and 15 10-win seasons.

The history book reveals the Tigers first 10-win season was way back in 1954, their first playoff appearance and first region title came in 1979, their first playoff win came in 1984, their first 11-win season came in 1985, their first 13-win season came in 1989, and their first 15-win season was recorded in 2011.

The Tigers own a total of seven state championships, claiming titles in 1951, 1954, 1955, 1989, 1992, 2011 and 2015. Their longest winning streak stands at 24 games, while the longest losing streak is 9 games.

Following is a preview of the upcoming 2019 season:

August 23 At, Daleville

Elba will open the season on the road when they travel to Daleville to tangle with the 2A Warhawks, of Coach Desmond Lett. The Tigers own a 14-5-0 series edge against the Warhawks, have won four of the last five meetings, and in the last meeting in 2017 posted a wild 34-28 victory.

Daleville has posted four straight winning seasons, including a 6-5 campaign a year ago, and last season averaged 28.9 points a game and allowed 26.9 points per game.

August 30 Opp

Elba will play its home opener in week two against the 3A Opp Bobcats, the Tigers oldest football rivalry. The Tigers have a 39-44 record against the Bobcats, and the two long time rivals have split the last six meetings, with Elba posting a 53-33 win a year ago.

Coach Brent Hill is in his sixth season at the helm of the Bobcats and has recorded a 30-26 record. The Bobcats are coming off an 0-10 season in which they averaged 13 points per game and allowed 48.5 points per game.

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**ELBA TIGERS***2019 Football Schedule*

Aug. 23	At, Daleville	Warhawk Stadium
Aug. 30	Opp	Mack Wood Field
Sept. 6	Pleasant Home	Mack Wood Field
Sept. 13	Kinston	Mack Wood Field
Sept. 20	At, Florala	Matthews Stadium
Sept. 27	G.W. Long	Mack Wood Field
Oct. 4	At, Brantley	Lowery Stadium
Oct. 11	Georgiana	Mack Wood Field
Oct. 18	Red Level	Mack Wood Field
Oct. 25	At, McKenzie	W'ms-Vickery Field

Sept. 6 Pleasant Home

Elba will swing into region action in a week three home game against the Pleasant Home Eagles. The Tigers own a 1-0 record against the Eagles, having won the first meeting ever a year ago 28-14.

Eagle head coach Richard Mercer is in his third season at the helm at Pleasant Home and owns a 6-15 record, including a 1-9 slate last season. The Eagles have posted only one winning record over the last seven seasons and last season averaged 10.8 points per game and allowed 32.5 points per game.

Sept. 13 Kinston

Elba will remain in region play for a week four home contest against the Kinston Bulldogs. The Tigers own a 4-0 all-time record against the Bulldogs and last season posted a 38-6 win.

Coach Rudy Free, a former all-state linebacker and assistant coach at Elba, is in his first season as the head man with the Bulldogs, which struggled to a 2-8 record a year ago, their fourth straight losing season, and last season averaged 14.5 points per game and allowed 34.3 points per game.

Oct. 4 Brantley
Elba will jump back into the region wars in week seven when they make the short ride up to David Lowery Stadium for a showdown with the Brantley Bulldogs. The Tigers own a 32-11 series edge over the Bulldogs and last season posted a big 26-2 win.

Coach Roland Jones will be back at the helm at Brantley for his second season, and last year guided the 'Dogs to a 7-4 record. The Bulldogs have lost a total of 13 games over the last three seasons after losing only 13 games the previous six years, combined. Last season Brantley averaged 32.4 points per game and allowed 15.6 points per game.

Oct. 11 Georgiana
Elba will be back at home in week number eight when they host the three-time defending region champion Georgiana Panthers. The Tigers have a 5-6 series record against the Panthers and last season dropped a 35-27 decision.

Coach Ezell Powell will be back to lead the Panthers, and in his six years at the helm has led the Panthers to a 55-16 record. Georgiana posted a 10-2 record a year



Elba High School football coach Pate Harrison enters his second season leading the Tigers program. Harrison's team went 8-3 in his first season as head coach, and he is hoping to improve upon those numbers this season, as well as, bring a region title back to Elba in 2019.

score of 24-7.

Coach Scott Horne is in his 11th season as the field general of the Rebels and has a career record of 77-35. The Rebels struggled to a 2-7 record a year ago and over the past two seasons own a lackluster 3-15 slate, after posting a total of 64 wins the previous six seasons. A year ago, G.W. Long averaged 13.2 points per game and allowed 30.6 points per game.

Oct. 18 Red Level

Elba will close out its home schedule in a week-nine region clash against the Red Level Tigers. The Tigers from Elba own a 4-1 series edge and last season posted a 41-6 win.

Coach Kenny Skipper will enter his third season as the head man for the Tigers and in his first two seasons led the Tigers to a 5-15 record. Last season's 5-5 record marked the most wins for the Tigers since back in 2011, and was only their second 5-win season since 2006. Last year the Tigers averaged 22.1 points per game and allowed 31.5 points per game.

Oct. 25 At, McKenzie
Elba will see its regular season draw to an end in a week ten region road clash against the McKenzie Tigers. The Tigers from the banks of the Pea River own a 1-0 series record against McKenzie, having won the first meeting ever 46-13 a year ago.

Coach Tony Norris will be in his fifth year as the ringleader for the Tigers and owns a 17-24 career slate. The Tigers struggled to a 1-9 record last season, their fewest wins since back in 2005, and posted a 4-16 record over the past two seasons, after posting nine winning seasons the previous ten years. Last season the Tigers averaged 15.6 points per game and allowed 44.8 points per game.

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A preview of Kinston and Zion Chapel football schedules

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SPORTS NEWS

Chase Rogers brings home ECC Golf Championship for second year in row

by Jack West, Intern

An Elba police officer went from cuffs to links at last weekend's Club Championship golf tournament at the Elba Country Club [ECC].

Last Sunday, July 28, police Sgt. Chase Rogers sank a final putt at the ECC to win its Club Championship golf tournament for the second year in a row. Rogers finished the two-day tournament 4-under-par and beat second place finisher Dylan Moulton by a single stroke.

At the close of game on Saturday, Rogers held a two-shot lead over Moulton and knew he would have to play particularly well to maintain that lead.

"Playing with a lead is one of the most difficult things to do in golf," Rogers said. "It's easier to go out there and fire at pins and chase somebody down and take chances than it is to preserve a lead, in my opinion."

Nevertheless, Rogers was able to hang on to his lead even when Moulton began to surge from a four-shot deficit on the back nine.

"Dylan played great," Rogers said. "Hats off to Dylan especially down the last stretch."

Rogers, age 30, has been playing golf since he was 5-years-old and first teed off on the ECC's course over a decade ago. He played golf throughout high school and



Chase Rogers is shown with the Club Championships trophy after winning the Elba County Club's Club Championships Tourney last weekend in Elba.

won the Phil Mickelson Award for National Freshman of the Year while playing golf at Huntingdon College.

"I fell in love with golf growing up," Rogers said. "I can't remember a summer that didn't go by that I wasn't at the golf course, if not every day, every other day. I would walk from my house over to the country club, and we would be there from sun up to sun down playing golf all day."

Now, as an officer, husband and father, Rogers said he doesn't find as much time to play golf as he would like to.

"My child is 18 months old, and 18-month-olds tend not to play much golf," he said.

However, Rogers still finds time to play in the summer months, and if last

weekend is an indicator, he doesn't need much more practice than that.



Chase Rogers' swing was in good form last weekend for the ECC Club Championships tourney. Rogers finished one stroke ahead of second place finisher Dylan Moulton to bring home his second consecutive championships trophy for the Elba Country Club's Club Championships golf tournament. Rogers has been playing golf since he was age 5, and he said he fell in love with the game growing up.



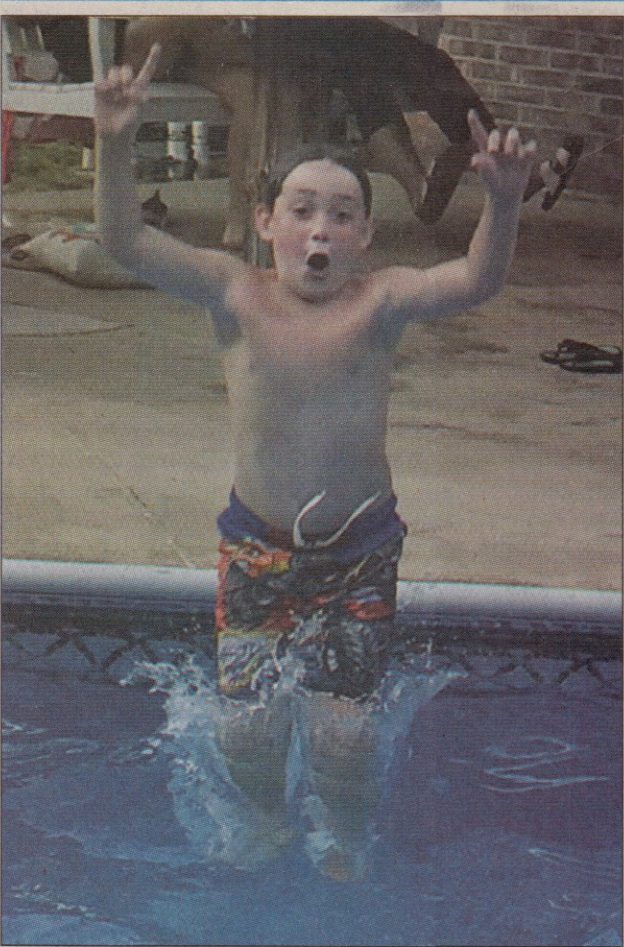
Dale Crowe won the Senior Division of the Elba Country Club Club Championships Golf Tournament held last weekend in Elba.



Third place finisher Jamison Baker watches his shot after striking the ball during the Championship event for the Elba Country Club. (photos by Mike Capps)



WYROSICK GIRLS COMPETE AT NATIONAL POA; BRING HOME TITLES/AWARDS! Giuliana and Gia Wyrosdick, daughters of Heath and Jessica Wyrosdick of Elba, recently traveled to compete at the National POA (Pony of the Americas) Congress in Tulsa, OK. The National POA Congress is held annually and draws competitors from across the U.S. This year exhibitors from twenty states traveled with their ponies to compete in this week-long event held from July 13-20. The show featured events ranging from in-hand classes to English, Western and speed events. Giuliana (shown above with mom Jessica also pictured) earned the title of National Congress Champion in 18 & under walk trot equitation and two Reserve Congress Champion titles in 9 & under trail and 18 & under showmanship with her mare, Crusader Moon Dust. Giuliana also received three additional top five placings and five top 10 placings in both English and western events throughout the week. Gia (shown below) received two top five placings in youth halter geldings and most colorful gelding with her pony, DKs Fancy Dream. The National POA Congress was a fantastic experience for both girls, full of memories that will last for years to come.



END OF YEAR BASEBALL PARTY...Ryan Blair, a member of the Kinston 8U baseball team that competed in the recent Dixie Youth Division II state tournament in Tuscaloosa, is shown having a blast last Saturday evening, July 27, at his team 'end of year' party. The team members enjoyed a pool party with a water slide too, along with hamburgers and hot dogs for supper before being presented several awards from the coaches and parents for the successful year they had on the baseball field. Ryan is the son of Toby and Tina Blair.

ECC Club Championship Results:	
Chase Rogers	69-71
Dylan Moulton	71-70
Jamison Baker	76-70
Mark Wicker	79-72
Trey Gary	76-76
Tanner Skinner	75-78
J.M Wilson	77-78
Terry Pike	91-91
Senior Division	
Dale Crowe	73-74
Kenneth Grantham	85-81
Wayne Sutley	84-84
Jimmy Bryan	98-100
Tommy Dewberry	100-102

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